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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900-0154]

Proposed Information Collection (Application for VA Education Benefits, Application for Family Member to Use Transferred Benefits, Application for VA Education Benefits Under the National Call to Service (NCS) Program and Application for Veterans Retraining Assistance Program).

ACTIVITY: Comment Request

AGENCY: Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs

ACTION: Notice

SUMMARY: The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed revision of a currently approved collection, and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information through Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at www.Regulations.gov or to Nancy J. Kessinger, Veterans Benefits Administration (20M33), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420 or e-mail to nancy.kessinger@va.gov. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0154" in any correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through the FDMS.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy J. Kessinger at (202) 632-8924 or FAX (202) 632-8925.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501 – 21), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, VBA invites comments on: (1) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of VBA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of VBA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Title: Application for VA Education Benefits, VA Form 22-1990, Application for Family

Member to Use Transferred Benefits, VA Form 22-1990E, Application for VA Education

Benefits Under the National Call to Service (NCS) Program, VA Form 22-1990N and

Application for Veterans Retraining Assistance Program, VA Form 22-1990R.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0154.

Type of Review: Revision of an approved collection.

Abstract:

A. VA Form 22-1990 is completed by claimants who are submitting an initial (or original)

claim for VA education benefits.

B. VA Form 22-1990E is completed by a claimant who wishes to transfer his or her

Montgomery GI Bill entitlement to their dependent(s).

C. VA Form 22-1990N is used by a claimant who signed an enlistment contract with the

Department of Defense for the National Call to Service (NCS) program and elected one

of two education incentives.

D. VA Form 22-1990R is used by a claimant to request assistance in retraining to enter

the workforce.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Annual Burden: 273,098 hours.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 855,652.

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